MRAD 209 Professional Practice 1
Reflection #2 – forms part of quiz #2 (5%)
Reflection: Reflecting on the CAMRT Code of Ethics and Professional Conduct

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1. How does the knowledge of WHMIS contribute to maintaining safety in the healthcare environment?

Knowledge of WHMIS is important in maintaining a safe healthcare environment because healthcare workers may come into contact with different hazardous products, such as cleaning and disinfecting chemicals, compressed gases, and other substances used in medical imaging departments. Understanding WHMIS symbols, labels, and Safety Data Sheets (SDS) helps me recognize potential hazards and know how to handle, store, and dispose of these products safely.

As a future medical radiation technologist, WHMIS knowledge will help me protect not only myself, but also my patients, coworkers, and others in the department. For example, if I notice a chemical spill, I should not simply clean it without knowing what the substance is. I would first identify the product, review the appropriate safety information, use the required personal protective equipment (PPE), and follow the facility's procedures. I believe being aware of workplace hazards is part of being responsible and professional. It also connects with the CAMRT Code of Ethics because maintaining a safe environment is an important part of providing high-quality patient care.

2. How has your understanding of WHMIS improved during this course?

Before this course, I understood that WHMIS was related to workplace safety and hazardous materials, but my knowledge was fairly basic. During this course, I developed a better understanding of the different hazard symbols, product labels, SDS, PPE, and the appropriate steps to take when handling hazardous materials.

I now understand that WHMIS is not only something we learn to meet a workplace requirement. It is knowledge that I will actually use in clinical practice. I have become more aware of my responsibility to recognize hazards, follow safety procedures, and ask for guidance when I am unsure. In my future practice, I will continue to apply WHMIS principles and stay updated on workplace safety policies. This will help me provide a safer environment for my patients, coworkers, and myself.


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